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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on December 4, 2002 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

Please cancel Claims 11-16, 20-40 and 45-57, without prejudice.